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Title: OPTICAL SWITCH USING)	
RARE EARTH DOPED GLASS)	

AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

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Dear Sir:

The present amendment is submitted contemporaneously with the Request for Continued Examination filed in response to the Advisory Action dated October 24, 2006.